

SHACKLETON ADVISES FOOD CONTROL IN U. S.

Antarctic Hero Says Step Should Be Taken as Soon as Possible

PROPOSES NAVAL PATROL

America Can Best Serve Allies by Keeping Lanes Open for Transports

Sir Ernest Shackleton, explorer, who came nearest the South Pole when he battled to within a hundred miles of it and discovered the south magnetic pole, declared today that Government food control should be taken as soon as possible.

"The food question is of great importance," said the hero of the Antarctic, "and the Government should take over food distribution as soon as possible. If speculation is discovered, the step should be immediate."

Sir Ernest drew on his own experience for an example of the rising cost of food. "Think of it," he said, "I had to pay a shilling for two potatoes on the dining car of the train."

The man who trekked through the vast, ice-locked South Polar regions doesn't look it. Except for the fact that his eyes are keener and a deeper shade of blue, he looks no more like the British type usually pictured as masters of the sea. But, in the first place, he looks as though he has a lot of energy, he's never used, in the second place, he's not English, but Irish.

THE EMMA'S LOG BOOK This came out when Sir Ernest brought from a battered suitcase that has rested in every corner of the Seven Seas the log book of the Emma, and it also exposed the fact that German trouble in South America isn't so terribly serious.

The two subjects were in no way apparently related, but it was when he was fingering the penciled logbook of the Emma that Sir Ernest, who journeyed through South America on his way home from ice and cold, told of the feeling down there. "In the south of Chile," he said, "there are German colonies and there are also some in Brazil. But the British and Chilean flags were displayed together when I lectured in Santiago, and the band played 'The Marseillaise.' It's a Long Way to Tipton" and other similar songs. The German papers came out next morning and said: 'Who is this Shackleton person? Why, he's nothing but a dead child.' The sentiment in favor of the Allies was unmistakable, as it was in Argentina and other places where I stopped."

FUTURE TROUBLES

Sir Ernest said America's entrance into the war would cement friendship and provide for future difficulties, which, he said, "were not far away, unless there is an extraordinary inoculation against war."

When asked specifically what he thought the trouble would be, he replied, "A man may read while he runs." The greatest aid the United States navy can give, he said, is by patrolling the seas to keep lanes clear through which transport ships may pass, taking to the Allies the previously necessary foodstuffs and supplies.

Sir Ernest's thought on selective conscription, which he believes to be necessary, is set forth in another column of the EVENING LEDGER, with his message to the American people, but he gave in regard to this an illustration to back his point of placing men in the branches in which they are most needed. He told the tale of a physician who knew more about the copper-poisoning of eyes that is prevalent among men in the thick of trench warfare, arising from fire of the big guns. This physician was on the way to cure this when he was killed in a trench battle. The moral, Sir Ernest explained, is, put a man where he is best fitted.

KING TELLS COMMITTEE OF FOOD RIOTS HERE

WASHINGTON, April 25.—Testifying today before the Senate Committee on Agriculture, which is drafting legislation to meet the food situation during the war, Professor Clyde L. King, of the University of Pennsylvania, told of the food riots in Philadelphia and the results of the investigations made as to the causes. "Our investigation in Philadelphia showed," he said, "that food prices are increasing more rapidly than wages. Something must be done for the consumer. It is necessary that something be done to eliminate the suspicion of the farmer that he is not getting his just proportion of existing high prices."

As remedies for the existing situation, Professor King suggested: "Full marketing information. 'Publicity as to the value of foodstuffs. 'Publicity as far as is wise to indicate to the farmer the existing food scarcity, so that he may feel safe in preparing to meet it.' 'If you do not tell the farmer the exact situation, there is no other way to get him to plant big crops but to guarantee him a minimum price.'"

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SHACKLETON FOR ARMY SELECTION AFTER TRIAL OF VOLUNTEERING

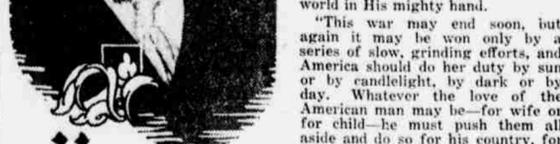
By SIR ERNEST SHACKLETON Before dictating to an Evening Ledger representative the following statement, which was made in response to the question, "What do you think should be done?" Sir Ernest declared himself in favor of army selection. "I believe in selective conscription after a very short time, say a month, has been given to each man the chance to come forward. It is necessary."

"Politics, prejudices, personal interests are nothing. This war is not a question of mere patriotism or mere duty or of the exigencies of a situation; it is more than duty, more than sacrifice, more than glory. It is the supreme opportunity offered to every man to prove his own soul. Love of woman, love of ease, love of money, love of life—all these are small things in the scale compared to our own manhood."

"The blood that has been shed on the burning hills of Gallipoli and the sodden fields of Flanders and France calls to the American people. American men must go into this fight, for if they fail to come forward they will know themselves in their own inner consciousness that they will be forever shamed."

"When I arrived out of the polar night after a silence of a year and a half, I did not know what Anzac meant. It means the Australian-New Zealand Army Corps, for they were the men that carried the impregnable hills of Gallipoli. It is a title of glory and will be as long as the great God swings this little world in His mighty hand."

"This war may end soon, but again it may be won only by a series of slow, grinding efforts, and America should do her duty by sun or by candlelight, by dark or by day. Whatever the love of the American man may be—for wife or for child—he must push them all aside and do so for his country, for his soul, for his God. And the moment he enlists he stands four square to all the winds that blow. And the women of America, who may by chance lose lover, husband or boy, should be like those women of Sparta of old, who said, 'Come back victorious or on your shields.'"



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MAYOR USES PRESSURE TO GET ELECTION COSTS

Legislature Asked to appropriate \$419,066 Fund Due to This City

By a Staff Correspondent HARRISBURG, April 25. Mayor Thomas B. Smith today made good his threat to take steps to "force" the Commonwealth to pay Philadelphia \$419,066.84, the aggregate of primary election expenses which he and the County Commissioners of Philadelphia assert is due the city.

The Mayor called upon Auditor General Powell yesterday in connection with the claim. Powell declared that he would not be a part to the payment, whereupon Mayor Smith said that he would take steps to force payment. He said he preferred bringing suit, if the consent of the Legislature could be had, to putting in an appropriation bill.

Senator Edwin W. Patton introduced the measure today at the instance of the Mayor.

LEAVES \$200,000 TO HUSBAND Will of Ida C. P. Lewis Disposes of Estate Valued at \$114,000 "and Upwards"

According to the petition filed by executors with the will of Ida C. P. Lewis, 422 South Broad street, the testatrix left property valued at \$114,000 "and upwards." The will, however, leaves \$200,000 in trust for the benefit of Samuel N. Lewis, her husband, the fund later to go to other relatives. Other wills probated include those of John L. Wentz, who for half a century was a member of the firm of J. B. Wentz & Co., which, in private bequest, disposes of property valued at \$160,000; Mary C. Annable, Douglassville, Pa., \$6700; Kate Detweiler, 4047 Girard avenue, \$5800; Ida W. Snow, 25 High street, Germantown, \$3000, and Sarah E. Kerlinger, 5213 Queen street, \$2500.

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CORONER SEEKS FACTS IN EXPLOSION PROBE

Delaware County Official Asks Witnesses to Come Forward at Eddystone Inquest Tomorrow

An appeal for information about the Eddystone explosion was made today by Coroner Charles H. Drewes, of Delaware County, in advance of the inquest into the disaster, which will be held tomorrow at Elk's Hall, Chester. Coroner Drewes explained that he wanted to get in touch with the persons who were near the Eddystone Ammunition Corporation plant at the time of the explosion, but whose names are unknown to him.

Hundreds of persons who might throw some light on the explosion, or tell stories tending to show plotters were responsible, have not been reached by the county authorities. It is to obtain every bit of evidence relating to the explosion that Coroner Drewes makes the appeal. Referee William B. Scott, of the Workmen's Compensation Board, continued hearing applications for compensations from victims of the explosion and their relatives today in the Chester city hall.

LIEUT. THAW ALIGHTS BEHIND GERMAN LINES

American Aviator Wings Two More Enemy Planes—Escapes as Germans Approach

NEW YORK, April 25.—Lieutenant William Thaw, second in command of the Lafayette Corps, of American aviators, played an exciting role in the recent French offensive in Champagne. While acting as scout for the advancing French forces he fell behind the German lines. To the French men and women who gathered around him he brought the news that the United States had declared war on Germany and then escaped just as the Germans were coming up. Incidentally he brought down a Teuton Fokker, his second catch of the offensive.

Operated On to Be Soldier LANCASTER, Pa., April 25.—Several weeks ago Lester M. Senniger, a young man from Yorkville, was rejected by the army recruiting station because of a physical disability. Determined to be a soldier, the young man went to the Lancaster General Hospital and was operated upon. Today he returned to the recruiting office cured and was accepted as a recruit.

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\$30.00 Body Brussels Rugs, 8.3x10.6 ft. \$24.50
\$26.00 Axminster Rugs, 6x9 ft. \$17.00
\$20.00 Tapestry Brussels Rugs, 8.3x10.6 ft. \$14.75
\$16.00 Wool Fiber Rugs, 9x12 ft. \$10.75
\$23.50 Heavy Wool Rug, 7.6x10.6 ft. \$13.75
\$12.00 Rattania Rugs, 6x12 ft. \$9.00
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